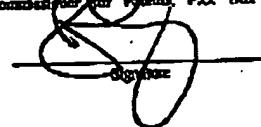


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Applicant:	Elnozahy	Group Art Unit:	2157
Serial No.:	09/864138	Examiner:	Najjar
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 9, 2005

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action dated February 9, 2005 (the "Office Action"), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1) (Column 2)

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FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	20 minus 20 =	*
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3 minus 3 =	*
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		<input type="checkbox"/>

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

9/27/04 CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

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SMALL ENTITY
TYPE OR OTHER THAN
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X40=		X80=	
+135=		+270=	
TOTAL		OR TOTAL	710

OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY OR SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	
X40=		X80=	
+135=		+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	
X40=		X80=	200
+135=		+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	200

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
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X40=		X80=	
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TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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